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FIGHTER PRACTICE

There will be fighter practice every Sunday at 1 PM at Spring Creek Park. Come to practice or just to watch.

DANCE PRACTICE

It's time to brush up your dancing for Twelvth Night, and get a start learning new things for the Midsummer Ball. The next dance practices are Nov. 14 and Nov. 28 at 7 PM at Harmony Presbyterian Church and one practice will be devoted to Poaching. Remember--"Life is more than Hole in the Wall."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER:
2 - ***SHIRE MEETING***, Room 165, 7 PM, Student Center
5 - Coronation (Dryganstan) Lynna (505) 998-1030
11 - St. Cecelia's Day Revel (Caerthe)* Bernice (303) 233-9558
12 - Viking Vintr Vunderlandt IV (Dragonsspine)* Selene (719) 597-5259
12 - Guy Fawkes Madness Revel (Windkeep)* Ewan (307) 635-9310
19 - Gaming Revel, Boffer Tourney and Dance (Unser Hafen)* Dirik (303) 223-6318
26 - No Turkey Revel (Glen Ora)

DECEMBER:
10 - Terry's Revel (Unser Hafen) Theresea (303) 482-6608
16 - Baron's Yule Party (Caerthe) Douglas (303) 722-3727
17 - Mid-Winter (Caer Galen)* Demelza (303) 449-2479
23 - Mistress Margaret's Open House (Caerthe)
31 - Champagne Fantasy (Caerthe) Morrigan (303) 443-8853

JANUARY:
7 - Twelfth Night (Caerthe)* Sara (303) 333-0778
21 - Benefit Revel/Raffle (Caer Galen) Francesca (303) 499-3284
21 - Birthday Revel (Unser Hafen) Kevin (303) 221-0850

FEBRUARY:
4 - Candlemas (Dragonsspine) Selene (719) 597-5259
11 - Love Revel (Caerthe) Mannfred

MARCH:
11 - Ides of March (Caer Galen) Iric/Helena
18 - Chaylay Persian New Year (Unser Hafen)
25 - April Fools & Funny Names (Caerthe) Wyndylyn (303) 355-6598

APRIL:
1 - Crown Tourney

MAY:
27 - Unevent (Unser Hafen) Kevin (303) 221-0850

SEPTEMBER:
8 - Centertainment (Unser Hafen)
16 - Defender's Tournament (Unser Hafen) Titus (303) 490-2936

Items with * after them are detailed in this issue. The deadline for artwork o articles is the 16th of the previous month.

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GAMING REVEL, BOFFER TOURNEY AND DANCE

Toadley-winks and a good time for all!

On November 19, there will be a gaming revel, boffer tourney and dance autocratted by Baron Dirik with the aid of the House of the Motley Bear. The site is the Buckhorn Room in the lower level of the Senior Citizens Center, 101 Remington, Fort Collins, CO. The event starts at 6 PM and runs until 1 AM. Bring your favorite games and your dancing shoes. Boffers will be provided for the tourney.

The site fee is $2.00 without a dessert or $1.00 with a dessert. This cost covers a dessert bar and refreshments.

Questions? Call Baron Dirik at (303) 223-6318 or the House of the Motley Bear c/o Brynach and Philipa MacCallium at (303) 224-5165.

ST. CECILIA'S DAY REVEL

The Caerthen Consort would like to honor St. Cecilia on Friday, November 11 at 7:30 PM.

Since she is the patron saint of music and dance, we will play a short instrumental program.

This event will take place at Salamander Manor, home of

Mistress Bernice of Brittany
3495 Newland

Questions? Call Mistress Bernice at (303) 233-9558.

VIKING VINTR VUNDERLANDT FOUR

The Fourth Annual Viking Vintr Vunderlandt will be held in Dragonsspine on November 12th, A.S. XXIII. The sites will be the same as last year -- Black Forest El Paso County Park/Black Forest Community Church.

The day's events will be as in the past -- the BIG Game of three teams and a 'sheep', somewhat akin to other peaceful sports as rugby, soccer and a melee. The losing team wins custody of a wonderful (in the old sense) traveling trophy for a year. We will also have some kind of viking games as spear tossing, hammer throwing and other events of skill. **DRESS WARMLY!** Change to your party clothes at the indoor site.

As this year also commemorates the 10th Birthday of the Barony of Dragonsspine -- our first DECADE anniversary -- we are holding a DECADEnt revel. This is NOT a bawdy revel, but rather, a challenge to see just how decadent the vikings could really be. It is a time of silken garb, furs and brocades. What could the vikings come up with in the way of apparel after they brought their booty home? There will be a bardic where period and filk performances will be equally appreciated. Baroness Miranda will be featuring a competition of finger foods, where DECADEnce will also be considered -- such as marzipan stuffed dates -- a 'Pampered Hamper' munchies contest. We request that entries be treated tastefully -- this is NOT the infamous DECADENCE party, but a DECADEnt celebration of a 10th year as a barony.

There will be the usual luncheon sideboard of 'creative' Scandinavian dishes. The evening meal is a Fortune Kettle -- if you do not bring something to share, we'll all be HUNGRY. There will be a dessert sideboard from the Pampered Hamper competition. Please enter.

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NOTE OF IMPORT! Site fee is $1.00 and the luncheon side board is $4.00 IF RESERVATIONS ARE RECEIVED BEFORE OCTOBER 20TH. This will increase to $6.00 between October 20th and November 5th. Anyone wanting to eat at the lunch sideboard, and who has not reserved by November 5th had better be on good terms with the Autocrat. Grovelling may not help. Due to the nature of the food and the preparation required, it will be difficult to accommodate on-the-site additional feasters because we will not buy supplies expecting a large turnout this year!

GUY FAWKES MADNESS

DATE: SATURDAY NOV 12 A.S. XXIII
VENUE: YEWWOOD MANOR
TIME: 1200 NOON TO 0 DARK THIRTY
AUTOCRAT: EWAN CRAWFORD - 307-

Yewwood Manor announces the celebration and madness of Guy Fawkes. We shall begin the MADNESS with a mind bending Celtic Quest to be followed by games, a fund raiser for the Kingdom Travel Fund (Nail The Guardsman), a competition for best Celtic Garb, a Potluck Feast and whatever other mischief the autocrats can think of.

If you wish to attend please contact the autocrat for reservations.

Reservations are due not later than 28 October A.S. XXIII, being 1988 in the C.E. Attendees are requested to bring a large enough dish to feed eight people or pay a $2.00 site fee. Children under 12 are free.

This is a WET site.

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"Blah-blah--blah--yes, Your Highness,
I need but speak my name and my
challengers blanch and wilt before me!"

Caer Galen Midwinter
A Commoner's Christmas!

The Shire of Caer Galen invites you to join us in a Commoner's celebration of Christmas on Saturday, December 17th. We will have a full day of games, dancing, music, food and revelry with a traditional English Christmas feast (and a real plum pudding!). Activities will include board competitions, participatory games (Badger in a Bag! Clench a Wench! Miller in the Middle! and more!) boffer competitions, dancing lessons in the afternoon, more dancing in the evening, caroling, the ever-important Lord and Lady of Misrule, and, of course, mistletoe!

The feast will be prepared by Lady Morgwen na Lochsolas and will include roast beef, goose and plum pudding as well as other traditional Christmas goodies. The event will be held at the Boulder Valley Community Hall, 95th and Isabella Road, approximately fifteen minutes east of Boulder. For those of you who attended, this is the same site used for the Fourth Crown Tournament of the Outlands last year. Directions and a map will be included in next month's announcement.

Site fee will be $ 4.00 for members, $ 5.00 for non-members. Feast fees will start at $ 6.00 for members, $ 7.00 for non-members for paid reservations postmarked or received by November 15th. After then, the price for the feast will go up to $ 8.00 for members, $ 9.00 for non-members. No reservations will be accepted after December 10th and only paid reservations will be accepted. For crash space or to offer assistance, contact the Autocrat or the Autocrat's Right Hand.

9:00am	Hall opens
10:00am	Activities begin
12:00pm	Bring-your-own-lunch/Potluck (hot cider provided)
afternoon	games, dancing lessons, etc.
6:00pm	Feast begins
evening	dancing, caroling, etc.

Reservations
Caer Galen Reeve
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Autocrat's Right Hand
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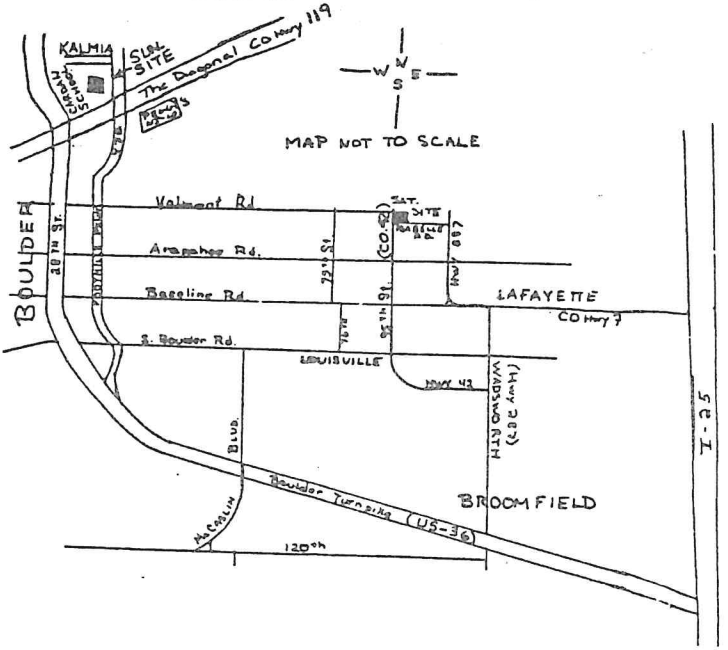
Map From South & North To Caer Galen Midwinter

From the South:

Take I-25 north to US 36. Take US 36 west to the first Boulder exit (Foothills Parkway/Table Mesa exit). Stay to the left and get onto the Foothills Parkway heading north. The Foothills Parkway turns into 47th street just south of the Longmont Diagonal (aka CO 119). That intersection is currently under construction. Continue across the Diagonal on 47th street one block north to Kalmia. Turn west on Kalmia. The Carden School is located on the south side of Kalmia.



Directions to the Boulder Valley Community Hall:

From the North:

Take I-25 south to Colorado 7 exit. Take CO 7 west through Lafayette where it becomes US 287. Follow US 287 first west and then north to Arapahoe, which is the first light after 287 is heading north again. Take Arapahoe west to CO 42. Turn north on CO 42 to Isabella Rd. Site is on north east corner of CO 42 and Isabella. Park on Isabella, not on CO 42.

From the South:

Take I-25 north to US 36. Take US 36 west to the Wadsworth/Broomfield exit. Wadsworth will become US 287, which heads north through Lafayette. Note that you will need to make a left turn at the light by the school in Lafayette to stay on US 287 which jogs west at that point and then continues north. From here, follow the directions from the north.

Twelfth Night Feast

Twelfth Night Feast A.S. XXIII will take place on Saturday, January 7, 1989, at Jefferson County Fairgrounds, and is being organized by Griffin Tower. Tentative menu:

- bread, butter, nuts, honey
- Lentil soup
- fish pies made with cod, broccoli, dried apricots
  salad of romaine, red cabbage, cucumbers, chick peas, raisins; yoghurt dressing on the side
- 1/2 Cornish game hen with either lemon/honey or rosy currant glaze (comments welcome!)
  rice pilaf with almonds & scallions
- sliced roast beef on bread trenchers
  green beans with sour cherries
- mock mince pies with hard sauce
  crepes with lemon creme sauce
- entries from the solteltie contest will be available on a sideboard for tasting after the judging

NOTE: The above will be served in the main feasting hall. The children served in the supervised children's area at half price will receive a simplified and smaller meal. Supervision will be by professionals.

Tentative schedule:

2 P.M.	Hall open for set up
4 P.M.	Opening Court
5 P.M.	FEAST BEGINS
9-10 P.M.	Closing Court, followed by Revel
11 P.M.	Cleanup
12 P.M.	We must be out of the hall.

Cost will be same as last year, as follows:

Until November 15, 1988 $12.00 per person
November 16 - December 15 $15.00 per person

Reservations will be accepted with full payment ONLY and no reservations will be accepted after December 15, 1988. There will be no feast reservations available at the door. Seating will be limited to 250 so please reserve early.

CHILDREN ages 12 and under will be half price ($7.50) ONLY if they are seated at the supervised children's tables. Any children seated in the main feast hall will pay the full price.

RESERVATION CONFIRMATION - You will receive a postcard confirming your reservation. If you have not received this by 2 weeks after mailing your reservation and check, call the autocrat at once! SAVE THIS CARD! You may need it when you arrive at the event. Your reservation must be received by Dec. 15 so we can mail the confirmation to you. NO REFUNDS will be made after December 28, 1988, unles the request is accompanied by a valid death certificate.

Seating will be assigned (yes, ALL seating) on a first come, first served basis, subject to the obvious limitations, and requests to sit with a group will be honored on the same basis. Those wishing to attend but NOT to feast should still send in a reservation and include only the site fee of $3.00. Off-board seating will be provided if possible.

AUTOCRAT - Lady Sara bat Meir 333-0778 FEAST - Mst. Margaret of Griffin Tower 399-0518 SERVERS - Lord Iric, of course . . .

Does anyone have ideas for children's games, contests, etc.?
More details in next issue, we hope. Constructive suggestions & offers of help and/or back rubs always welcome...

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